

6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 17, 2017

Downtown Chatham

Please note
there will be a
Parade Route
Change



Christmas in the City

Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA
237 King St. W. Chatham, ON N7M
1E6

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Contact Information (please write legibly)

Entry/ Organization Name	
Primary Contact Person	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Daytime Phone	
Cell # of Primary Contact	
E-Mail Address	

Deadline:

Complete Parade Applications & Participant Agreements due no later than 11/10/17

No refunds

Line-Up Procedures

Where:

New route 2017 – Staging on Thames Street and Dover Street. Route over 3rd Street Bridge left onto King St. W ending at the Wish Centre.

When:

4:00 PM – Floats line-up

6:30 PM – Parade Begins

Type of Entry

Float (music? Y / N) Horses * note special requirements below
 Antique Auto Band or Marching Group – Specify _____
 Other Vehicles – Specify _____

How Many Feet required to accommodate: _____ How many people: _____

Float Entry Fee

\$10.00 Paid Y / N

Date paid _____

Rules & Regulations: Please read carefully

- No entry may depict Santa Claus and / or Mrs. Claus or Santa's Float.
- No entry may depict anything controversial or otherwise offensive within the sole discretion of the Parade Committee.
- For an entry to be accepted into this year's Chatham Santa Claus Parade, it must conform to the parade rules and regulations, it must have their application and application fee in the HDTC-BIA office before the parade and have final approval of the committee.
- There will be no premature exiting of the parade route, with the exception of an emergency. It is expected that all entries complete the parade route from start to finish.
- All entries that constitute a float must include and be fully decorated which means:
 - The Chatham Santa Claus Parade Committee asks all entries to give considerable thought and time to the creativity and design of their float/entry.
 - All entries must be decorated for the holidays. **Theme 2017: Christmas-In-The-City.**
 - All entries must be responsible for ensuring that the design and operation of their float/entry is safe and reliable.
 - All vehicles must be in good mechanical condition and properly serviced prior to the parade. Special attention must be paid to cooling and exhaust systems, brakes, steering and tires.
- No material (including candy) may be thrown from any entry. For safety purposes, it is required that all material, including candy, be handed out to spectators.

7. Any entry caught breaching any of these Rules and Regulations contained herein, will be required to exit the parade immediately without refund of fees or other recourse.
8. The parade route and side streets are lined with spectators which requires that all entries must be operated with caution and ensure the safety of all spectators at all times.
9. All entries which are motorized, must be driven by a responsible adult with a valid Driver's License.
10. Parade Marshalls and its officials reserve the right to remove any entry, at any time, whether as a result of concerns for safety, interference with the parade's progress or does not meet all the requirements referenced herein.
11. Float participants are required to keep the parade flowing at all times and must try to minimize gaps between floats.
12. All animals must be on some type of restraint as required by Municipal By-law and must be controlled at all times.
13. Entrants must provide their own sanitation services for horses or other livestock by the use of diapers or by providing a walk-behind manure collection team with shovels and manure collection roll carts.

Photographic Images:

I/we hereby grant the Chatham Santa Claus Parade and the Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA permission to use a photographic image of myself or any person participating with the entry, online or in a printed publication for public distribution without payment or any other consideration. I/we agree that these materials will become the property of the Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA.

Assumption of inherent risks:

Parades involve inherent risks, hazards and conditions that may be dangerous to life, limb and property and that can arise in an incalculable variety of unforeseeable ways. While it is impossible to list all of the inherent risks associated with participation in a parade, the following are some of the risks associated with a parade:

1. The presence and use of horses and other animals
2. The presence and operation of motor vehicles, machinery, floats
3. The performance of, acrobats, projectiles, aerial demonstrations, baton twirling
4. Weather conditions such as wind, rain, hail and other forces of the elements.
5. The possibility of slipping and falling and complications associated with weather conditions and physical exertions (such as heat stroke, fainting, collapse, exhaustion or other more serious complications).

The undersigned is aware of and understands the inherent risks, hazards and dangers associated with parade participation, the under signed nevertheless elects, voluntarily, to enter and/or participate in the parade on the terms, conditions and covenants set forth herein and shall ensure that all persons participating in the entry are aware of and acknowledge the assumption of inherent risks.

Waiver of Liability, Indemnification and Covenant Not to Sue

The undersigned, personally and on behalf of all those participating with the entry, shall indemnify and hold harmless and, forever release, and covenant not to sue the Municipality of Chatham-Kent or the Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA, it's elected officials, officers, employees, affiliates, volunteers, and Parade Sponsors and agents, from any and all claims, losses, damages, or liability (present and future), on account of injury or loss to myself, and/or any person participating in the parade with me or as part of this entry, , including resulting in death, arising out of, or damage related (directly or indirectly) to acts or omissions (negligent or otherwise) including from all liability from any and all causes and claims of every type and nature whatsoever. And further agree to indemnify the Municipality of Chatham-Kent and/or the Historic Downtown Chatham BIA, is elected officials, officers, employees, affiliates, volunteers and Parade Sponsors and agents, for any losses or damages or costs, resulting or arising from the actions of me and/or any person participating in the parade with me or as part of this entry.



Acknowledgement of Understanding.

I have read the Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, Indemnification and Covenant not to Sue and fully understand it's terms. I understand that this document releases my right and any person participating with the entry, to make a claim if I or any person participating with the entry, have an accident or are injured resulting from the inherent risk of participating in a parade, or the ordinary negligence of the Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA. I further acknowledge that I am signing this agreement freely and voluntarily, and intend my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability, including that resulting from the inherent risks of the parade or from the ordinary negligence of the Historic Downtown Chatham-BIA, to the greatest extent allowed by the laws of Chatham-Kent. This signature is provided without reliance on any representation, statements or inducements, expressed or implied, made by any party whomsoever.

DO NOT SIGN THIS IF YOU HAVE NOT READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE PARADE PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The signature by the primary contact person will be responsible the float and all persons associated with their float.

Name of Entry / Organization:
Name of Primary Contact Person (responsible for all participants within their float):
I, the Primary Contact Person for this entry, attest that all participants associated with my entry have been informed to the rules and risks and I as the Primary Contact are solely responsible for their actions and wellbeing.
Signature of Primary Contact Person: _____
Date: _____

Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I agree to follow the above rules and regulations.

Name (printed)	Signature	
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Return this Form & the Participant Agreement by Friday, November 3 via:

Email:	info@downtownchatham.com
Or Mail to:	HDTC-BIA 237 King St. W, Chatham, Ontario N7M 1E6